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http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Michigannewsletter2_89372_7.doc

Welcome

2004 celebrates the 50th anniversary of Michigan Week, created to highlight the many attributes of our great state. Featured in this issue are materials celebrating our Great Lakes, Great Traditions!

Resources Spotlight

Michigan Week Events

<http://www.michigan.gov/michiganweek>

Michigan Portrait Collection at the State Archives

http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-15481_20652_20671-82248--,00.html

Michigan Yesteryear: Michigan History in Pictures , "created to provide a view of what Michigan looked like around the early 1900s."

<http://willett.org/michiganhistory>

Travel Michigan: the Official State of Michigan Travel web site

<http://travel.michigan.org>

Michigan Facts & History

http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-15481_20826---,00.html

Michigan Music Events

<http://mich.info/michigan/arts/music.htm>



Bibliography – Selected Titles

The Library of Michigan annually selects the best new books reflecting Michigan's rich cultural heritage. The titles selected are those with wide appeal that are either written by a Michigan resident or about a Michigan-related topic. Below are links to the lists from the last three years and several other notable Michigan book lists.

Michigan Notable Books 2004

http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-17445_19270-87377,00.html#mnbn2004

Read Michigan 2003

http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-17447_18630_22778-61921--,00.html



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Read Michigan 2002

http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-17447_18630_22778-11050--,00.html

50 Essential Michigan History Books

<http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-17449-57682--,00.html>

Michigan Children & Young Adult Books & Authors

http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-15481_19268-77702--,00.html

Database Spotlight

Michigan Authors and Illustrators database has biographical information, book lists and availability for events from those born in Michigan, lived in Michigan or whose works are set in Michigan.

<https://www.mel.org/miai/miai.html>

Constituent Services Spotlight

The Library of Michigan has many resources on Michigan history for use by your constituents. We have census records, town and county histories, newspapers, and materials on Michigan ethnic groups, industries and many other topics. Search ANSWER, our catalog, to see what we have!

<http://www.michigan.gov/libraryofmichigan>

Michigan Fun Facts

The first concrete road in the nation was laid on Woodward Ave. in Detroit, between Six and Seven Mile Roads in 1909. The cost of this pioneering road project? \$13,537.*

Today Islam is one of the most rapidly growing religions in the U.S. Michigan was home to the nation's first mosque, which was built in 1901 in Highland Park.*

The intersection of Woodward Ave. and Fort St. (or Woodward and Michigan Ave.; both sites are recorded) in Detroit was the site of the world's first 4-way traffic stop, placed in 1920. The manually operated

stoplight had 12 bulbs and was invented by a lieutenant at the Detroit Police Dept. to reduce the need for officers to direct traffic.*

* Source: *A Splash of History: Some Fascinating Michigan firsts*

<http://www.michiganhistorymagazine.com/features/michweek/splash.html>

Lions and Tigers and Pistons, oh my! Detroit has been a steady supplier for our national sports halls of fame. 15 Lions, 26 Tigers, and 15 Pistons have been inducted into their respective shrines. And on the international front, 38 Red Wings are Honoured Members of the Hockey Hall of Fame.

More ***Michigan Fun Facts*** can be found at:

This Date in Michigan History

<http://www.michiganhistorymagazine.com/date/archive.html>

Michigan in Brief

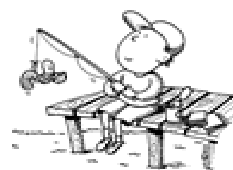
http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-15481_20826_20829-56001--,00.html

The 50 Greatest Michigan Sports Figures

<http://sportsillustrated.cnn.com/magazine/features/si50/states/michigan/greatest/>

Michigan Firsts, Facts and Trivia

<http://www.shgcities.com/mi/facts>



Michigan Trivia

<http://www.cumi.com/trivia>

Feature Films Made in Michigan

<http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160--51916--,00.html>

Motown Artists - Motown Historical Museum

<http://www.motownmuseum.com/mtmpages/perform.html>